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He Lies Like Kruger

The Boer Delegate Pretends the Flag Outrages Are Not Facts.

The British Mistake White Jackets and Faded Battle Flags.

He Does Not Explain How the British Soldiers Are Murdered.

New York, May 16.—Mr. Wessels, one of the envoys, in discussing the abuse of the white flag by his countrymen, intimated that the reported abuse took place largely in the minds of the English correspondents. He cited two instances, however, showing that these statements had some foundation in fact, due entirely to a curious error. Speaking of the white flag incident near Kimberley, in which a party of Boers were accused of deliberately firing upon a party of British after the Boers had hoisted the white flag, he said that a white jacket was mistaken for a flag. The jacket was worn by a clergyman who rushed to the front, and his jacket was mistaken by the British for a flag of truce.

"Very often," Mr. Wessels said, "the flag of the Orange Free State is mistaken for a white flag. The colors are orange and white, and after the flag has been through a few storms the orange fades, leaving the white field. This no doubt is what the English have taken for a flag of truce."

Washington, May 16.—Representative Sulzer, of New York, chairman of the committee to receive the Boer delegates in Washington to-day, received a telegram from Messrs. Fischer, Wessels and Wolmarans stating that they could not leave New York before Friday. Sulzer said that a committee consisting of United States senators, three representatives and a number of prominent citizens would go to New York to escort the delegates here. Mr. Sulzer says the stay of the delegates will be made the occasion of a notable demonstration.

London, May 16.—The afternoon papers here pay the keenest attention to the reception of the Boer delegates in New York. The Pall Mall Gazette dubs them "playthings of American politicians," and the Evening Standard says: "The proceedings certainly show unkindness to Great Britain, but no deeds will be forthcoming to prove the sympathy of the United States. Had American statesmen shown any hesitation, Kruger's offer to bribe them with a protectorate would have finally settled the matter."

ALASKA CODE.
Amusing Tactics by the Democrats to Secure a Point.

Washington, May 16.—The house to-day went into committee on the whole for the consideration of the Alaskan Code Bill, all efforts to reach an agreement about the length of the general debate having failed. The Democrats desired a three hours' debate, but the Republicans declined to allow the first reading of the bill to be dispensed with in order to have a lever to force acquiescence in their request. The bill contains 600 pages, and the reading would require days. The clock entered upon the reading and the Democrats tried to adjust their differences. After the reading had proceeded for some time the committee rose to give the house an opportunity to come to an agreement as to the length of the debate, but Mr. Payne of New York, the Republican floor leader, declined to agree to any proposition containing general leave to print, and the negotiations again failed. Thereupon Warner of Illinois, who was in charge of the bill, moved that the house go back into committee of the whole, but the motion was defeated, and the house resumed the consideration of the senate bill to incorporate the American national red cross which was pending when the house adjourned yesterday.

A HOT TIME.
Rebels Within Three Days' March of Panama.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 16.—Advices received to-day by the British steamer Darton, Capt. Mylo, from Columbia, say that the insurgents on May 12 were defeated in the march of Panama. Thirty-seven raided a calaboose at Colon, demanding possession, but they were driven off and arrested. As the government was unable to hold them they were expelled from the country and placed on board a vessel bound for Jamaica, arriving on the island to-day. A United States warship arrived at Colon on Monday. The people there have been much excited. No one is allowed on the streets after dark. Capt. Mylo assured the correspondent of the Associated Press that Carthage had fallen into the hands of the insurgents.

The customs contribution at Colon has been raised 25 per cent., causing much dissatisfaction among the merchants. The heavy rains that have fallen there recently have averted the expected water famine.

KRUGER IS ANXIOUS.
Tries to Bolster Up His Envoys With a Pious Cable.

New York, May 16.—Charles B. Pierce, the consul-general of the Orange Free State, has received the following from Pretoria:

"Messrs. Wessels, Fischer and Wolmarans: May justice and righteousness be with you. (Signed) Kruger."

The whistler that touches the right spot every time is Jesse Moore; to be had from A.M. first-class dealers.

VANCOUVER NEWS.
Another Attempt to Introduce Cents—Japanese Immigration—Electric Power Plant.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Vancouver, May 16.—Certain firms in the city are again trying to introduce cents into Vancouver, but the majority of merchants have firmly set their faces against the innovation, and by tacit understanding coppers will be refused by all the merchants in the city except those who introduce them.

The Conservatives held a meeting at Mount Pleasant last night, when all the candidates spoke with the exception of Mr. Wilson.

According to word received from Japan via the steamship Empress of India, the Japanese consuls at Vancouver and Montreal have addressed strong cautions to their foreign office regarding Japanese immigration to the Pacific Coast. Japanese Consul Shimizu says in effect that although the Canadian parliament have declined to pass restrictive legislation this session, it will hardly prove less tolerant by and by, unless some limits are set to immigration from Japan.

It has been announced that the Stave Lake Power Co., who propose to establish a plant at Stave lake falls and drive electric power for use into Vancouver and New Westminster, have accepted the offer of the London Gold Fields Company to provide the necessary funds for the project. John Endry's mission to England at present is for the purpose of winding up the deal on behalf of the Stave Lake Company. It now looks as if the big proposition was in measurable distance of success.

Opposition Slashing Attack

Government Scored For Refusing an Enquiry on West Huron Frauds.

Fisher Says Dominion Will Not Pay For Darcy Island Lepers

From Our Own Correspondent.
Ottawa, May 16.—The debate on the Brockville, West Huron, election frauds was continued to-day, the opposition making a slashing attack upon the government for refusing to grant an inquiry.

Col. Prior was informed that there were 19 lepers at the Tracadie leprosy. Of these 14 are from New Brunswick, 1 from Prince Edward Island, 3 from Manitoba and 3 from Nova Scotia.

Hon. Sidney Fisher added that the government had never been requested to remove the Darcy lepers to Tracadie. The government had refused to assume the cost of maintenance of the British Columbia lepers, because such patients were legally a charge upon the province.

The militia department has decided to withdraw the balance of the Yukon garrison as soon as navigation opens. This course was strongly urged by the opposition last year. The arms will not be removed, but will be left in charge of the Mounted Police.

UNDER VALUATION.
Montreal Dry Goods Firm Has to Pay a Large Sum to the Crown.

Montreal, May 16.—The case of the Crown against the wholesale drygoods firm of Fitzgibbon, Schaffteitlin & Co. came to a sudden end this morning in the exchequer court, the defendants agreeing to pay the Crown \$20,000 and the costs of the case. The firm was sued by the Crown for \$144,000 for customs undervaluation. The imprisonment of the defendants was also asked. The evidence of a man named Kannegeisser showed that the firm had a branch house in Berlin, which was in the habit of invoicing goods to the Montreal house at less than their actual trade value. Kannegeisser was employed by the Berlin house as a clerk, and when he was dismissed informed the Canadian customs, was given a safe conduct and promised one-third of all the monies recovered from the firm.

LABOR CANDIDATES.
Two Chosen in Vancouver For the Coming Provincial Elections.

Vancouver, May 16.—Fred Williams, a tailor and laborer, and J. Dixon, president of the Trades and Labor Council, were chosen at a labor convention held to-night as straight labor candidates for Vancouver in the coming provincial elections. Ralph Smith, president, and there were 103 delegates present. The following nominees were balloted for: F. Williams, J. H. Watson, C. O. Marshall, secretary of the Trades and Labor Council; J. Dixon, H. Cowan.

On the first ballot, Williams got 71 votes, which being a majority of all cast, elected him.

The remaining nominees were then subjected to a second ballot, and Dixon was elected with a vote of 68. The choice of the convention was made unanimous.

THE CONGO TROUBLE.
Stanley Says That Germany and Belgium Must Have Recourse to Mediation.

London, May 15.—Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the celebrated African explorer, who was at one time governor of the Congo, points out in an interview, in a London paper, that should a rupture occur between Germany and Belgium over the Congo territory, the Berlin act of neutrality provides that the signatory powers, before appealing to arms, shall have recourse to the mediation of one or several friendly powers.

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Is Mafeking Relieved?

Relief Column Fought the Boers Sixty Miles South on Tuesday.

The Transvaal Government Claims Relief Column Has Been Defeated.

Buller Is Advancing on Newcastle Forcing Towards the Boundary.

London, May 17.—(3.30 a.m.)—The British relief column fought the Boers at Kraaipan, 62 miles south of Mafeking, on Tuesday, according to a telegram received Wednesday night at Lorenzo Marques from Mafeking, 100 miles north of Mafeking.

This intelligence is accepted here with some reserve, because it is difficult to understand how the news could have been so quickly put on the wires from a place 132 miles from the scene of the engagement.

A correspondent of the Morning Post, presumably John Stuart, is reported captured by the Boers at Kraaipan. The British public is keenly expectant of the announcement that Mafeking has been relieved. In the army the opinion seems to prevail that this has already been accomplished, although two hours after midnight the war office said that no news of the relief had been received by them. The steadfast courage of the hunger-bitten garrison has produced a deep impression, and the news of success is awaited with more anxiety than has been felt regarding any other event of the war.

Douglas Story, the Daily Mail's correspondent at Pretoria, wires: "The Boer government is holding back some big news. Feverish activity prevails here. President Kruger is working day and night. The latest Boer official bulletin is that the relief column has been defeated with great loss."

Lord Roberts continues passive at Kroonstad. His cavalry is stretching like a semi-circular screen, many miles in length, with overlapping flanks. The Kroonstad censor permits the passage of long despatches dealing with incidents prior to the occupation.

It seems that Gen. French's cavalry had a lively fight crossing the Zand river. A mixed squadron composed of the Greys, the Inniskillins, Carbineers, and Australian Horse took a kopje and dismounted. The Boers suddenly fired from a concealed position, killing many horses and stampeding the regiment. The Boers then advanced in overwhelming numbers and drove off the squadron, capturing some. The Boers robbed the dead and looted the saddles. Finally a brigade of cavalry drove them off.

Farther north the Hussars charged the Boers, killing and wounding many stragglers with sabres and pistols. Lord Roberts' infantry marched 120 miles in seven days. Gen. French marched 30 miles in one day. The Boers were being dragged 32 guns towards Kroonstad.

Gen. Buller is moving towards Newcastle. He appears to be using 25,000 men against 5,000 or 6,000. His operations will almost certainly result in his forcing a way into the Transvaal, possibly in time to co-operate with Lord Roberts' advance, although Gen. Buller is 252 miles from Johannesburg, or 25 days' march.

A Dane who was captured by the South African Horse says there are 500 Frenchmen with the Boers who are opposing Gen. Buller, together with many Germans and other foreigners.

The Ladysmith correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that only one Boer was shot in the engagement which resulted in the taking of Helmapak.

Gen. Buller is sweeping through the northeast of the Free State. The Boers are dissolving before him and some are surrendering. Their main force is assembled between Ficksburg and Winburg, but it is still not close organization. To-day's installment of the war story from every part of the field is therefore seemingly a narrative of British successes, but with the Boers preparing for a last desperate fling further in the interior, and with Boer guerrilla parties looting houses and stores in the northwest section of Cape Colony.

It is not all easy for the British. The Umpington district is the locality where the guerrilla tactics of the Boers are just now most in evidence. The postponed congress of the Afrikaner bond has been called to meet at Paarl, June 15.

A Canadian battery of 15-pounders arrived at Beira, Portuguese East Africa, May 10. The Daily Graphic, which refers to the Boer mission to the United States as a product of the war, says: "There is no name of importance among the orators who saluted the delegates. We fear they have fallen in a sort of Anglo-Saxon ambush and are being victimized for purely party purposes."

The Times considers the rumors cable here at to President McKinley's alleged pro-Boer sympathies "utterly baseless." It says: "Mr. McKinley is convinced that the country does not wish him to interfere and that interference would be in all respects inexpedient as well as impossible."

The Times also refers to the admission of the American state department of Portugal's general right to refuse passage to contraband goods.

The Lorenzo Marques correspondent of the Times, under date of Tuesday, says: "There has been a heated discussion in the road, in secret session, respecting the expediency of destroying the mines. The result is not publicly known. The foreign mining representatives are greatly alarmed and have addressed strong representations to their respective consuls."

Persons acquainted with Col. Baden-Powell's scheme of defence of Mafeking assert that the occupation of the Kaffir location by the Boers would not endanger the garrison provided relief came quickly.

Buller Has Taken Glencoe

Official News of His Success Has Been Received in London.

Boers Evacuate the Biggarsberg and Trek to the Northward.

London, May 16.—It is officially announced that Glencoe was occupied yesterday, and that the Boers have evacuated the Biggarsberg.

The war office posts the following despatch from Buller: "Dundee, May 16: We occupied Glencoe yesterday. The Transvaalers have now evacuated the Biggarsberg."

The Free Staters on the Drakenberg are much reduced in numbers. The Carolina, Lydenberg and Pretoria commandoes trekked north from Hatikulu on 13th and 14th May. Eleven guns were entrained at Glencoe. The last train with ambulances left there at dawn on May 15.

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THE WHITE FLAG.

Boers Again Under Its Sheltering Folds Commit Murder.

London, May 16.—The war office posts the following from Lord Roberts, under the date of Kroonstad, May 16:

"Two officers and six men of Prince Alfred's Guards, while out foraging yesterday at a few miles from Kroonstad, were fired upon by 15 or 16 Boers concealed behind the farm wall. Two of the men were killed, Lieut. P. B. Walton was wounded. Lieut. W. B. Everett and two non-commissioned officers were taken prisoners. The owner of the farm states that the Boers threatened to shoot him when he protested against their making an improper use of the white flag."

"HER ANCIENT ALLY."

Portuguese Governor at Beira Says Nice Things of Britain.

London, May 16.—About 1,400 more troops have arrived at Beira, Portuguese East Africa. Among them is Lord Dunraven, who accompanied the Durban sharpshooters as a supernumerary captain of the battalion staff. The governor of Beira, during a speech at a dinner to the Yeomanry, said: "Friends as we have always been of England, we never could have realized the magnificent unity of the Anglo-Saxon race without such an object lesson. Realizing this, Portugal not only congratulates her ancient ally, but rejoices with it, as the strengthening of a friend is the strengthening of our selves."

ROBERTS' ADVANCE.

German Opinion Is That It Will Be Slow and Tedious.

Berlin, May 16.—The German papers, commenting to-day on the military situation in South Africa, express the opinion that the Boers intend to hold Van Rensburg Pass against Lord Roberts, with a view of keeping him from communicating with the seacoast. The Deutsche Tageszeitung predicts that the advance of Lord Roberts northward will be rendered tedious and dangerous by the destruction of bridges and attacks on the British in favorable locations.

MOUNTED POLICE ROUTED.

Diphtheria Drives Them Out of the Barracks at Regina.

Winnipeg, May 16.—A despatch from Regina to-night reports that recruits to the Northwest Mounted Police have brought diphtheria to the barracks there. The hospital is full and other portions of the buildings are used as sick wards. Most of the force is camped in tents on the prairie away from the barracks. The barracks are quarantined.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.

Returns Sir Edward Carson as M.P.

London, May 16.—Dublin University has returned Sir Edward Henry Carson to the House of Commons without opposition on his appointment as solicitor-general, in succession to Sir Robert Bannister Finlay, appointed to succeed Sir Richard Webster as attorney-general.

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CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

Death of Trooper Woolcombe—Another Soldier Wounded.

Ottawa, May 16.—The following cables were received to-day by Lord Minto from Sir Alfred Milner:

"Capetown, May 14.—I regret to report that 7833, Private J. W. Raymond alias J. W. Culver was slightly wounded at Israel's Poort on April 25. (Signed) Milner."

"Capetown, May 14.—344, Trooper T. Woolcombe, second Canadian mounted infantry, died of dysentery and pleurisy at Carnarvon on April 22. The casualty was reported officially to the war office, but only to-day to me, hence the delay. (Signed) Milner."

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Can This Be the Truth?

Boer Envoys Admit That They Are in the Utmost Extremity.

An Extraordinary Story Published in a London Morning Newspaper.

London, May 17.—The Daily Express publishes this morning a three column New York special signed by Patrick O'Connor who crossed the Atlantic with the Boer delegates, under the pretence of being an Irish American and a Boer sympathizer.

As a matter of fact, Mr. O'Connor understands the Dutch language and he claims to have overheard much private conversation in the course of which Mr. Wolmarans is reported as saying to Mr. Fischer: "I think we should be careful of what we say to this man, he may be a spy, are you sure he is an American?"

Mr. Fischer—"There is no doubt of it. I tell you by his accent."

Mr. Wolmarans—"It would never do, of course, for the British to know that we are really in the last extremity, or for them to know that we are thinking of staying in America."

Then using the English language, Mr. Fischer began by blaming Mr. Cecil Rhodes for bringing on the war. He said: "I have not a shadow of doubt that Sir Alfred Milner was sent to South Africa to prepare for the spoliation of the Boer republics by force if necessary; the franchise issue was all humbug."

"President Kruger conceded so much at the Bloemfontein conference, that Milner was in mortal fear lest all his requests be granted; lest he should thereby lose the chance of annexing the Transvaal."

Mr. Wolmarans said to Mr. Fischer in Dutch: "Do you think that we had better tell him how Kruger broke off the conference?"

Mr. Wolmarans, in Dutch: "Our position just now is precisely that of Jameson at the time of the raid. He expected Johannesburg to rise to his assistance. We expected the same of Cape Colony and Natal. We are bitterly disappointed. Tell him how we broke off the war."

Mr. Fischer—"He knows well, as well as we do ourselves, that Schreiner is loyal to Great Britain."

Resuming English, Mr. Fischer said: "We are going to win the war if it takes years to do it."

Addressing Mr. Wolmarans, and using Dutch Mr. Fischer then said: "We had better not say too much. We are getting badly beaten now. We are going to America in the hopes of obtaining the friendly help of the United States in the cause of peace. That is what we will say to the public. As a matter of fact, we have no hopes whatever. We have no cut and dried programme. Mr. Fischer went on to say that a brother of his, Wolmarans who happened to be in the United States and who was in conjunction with Mr. Monaghan White, believed that some sort of peace preliminaries might be arranged, but if the delegates failed in the United States, the door was closed. Mr. Fischer replied would still not give up."

Mr. O'Connor says: "The delegates were much astonished at the reception on their arrival in New York City. When land was sighted Mr. Wolmarans exclaimed: 'What shall we do when we get there?'"

When taken at the proper time a little Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey will prevent a cold.

BORN.

FAIRCLOUGH—To the wife of Samuel Fairclough, Union Bay, North Saanich, on the 15th inst., a daughter.

DIED.

TAYLOR—At No. 10 Bridge street, on the 15th inst., Roland Herbert, infant son of Mr. Frank Taylor, aged two years and ten months.

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CARD.—It has come to my knowledge that parties have been circulating a report to the effect that it was on information supplied by me that a certain party in Esquimalt was obliged to leave to avoid being apprehended as a deserter from H. M. The same is done for no other purpose than to injure me in business. A reward of \$20 will be paid to anyone who can prove the above facts before a naval officer. A. Almanza, Boat Builder, Esquimalt.

I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by any person or persons whomsoever, without my written authority.

O. C. WESTWOOD, Wellington.

RAYMOND—MEDIUM—Last week of Raymond. Circle to-night. Life readings. 90 Douglas street. m17

NOTICE.—I beg to notify the public that I, the proprietor of the business hitherto conducted under the name of Yuen Lung, 37 Cormorant street, and that no other person is authorized to receive payments and sign receipts or transact any business on behalf of said firm.

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NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Court for a transfer to Henry Christian Wulf, of my license to sell wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situated on the south side of Yates street, between Douglas and Broad streets, in the city of Victoria, B. C., known as the Dawson Hotel. Dated this 7th day of April, 1900. John Michel. m10

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Mayor Makes Bid for Business

Enquiry as to Ability of City to Construct Launches Answered.

Imperial Authorities Planning to Make Material Increase in Garrison.

In consequence of the vigilance of the Colonist and prompt action on the part of His Worship Mayor Hayward, it is likely that orders will shortly be placed with the Albion Iron Works Company of this city for the construction of two 50-foot steel launches for the Imperial government.

In looking through its provincial exchanges the Colonist yesterday came across the following in the Vancouver Province:

"The Mayor this morning received a letter from Lieut.-Col. George R. Atkinson, chief ordnance officer for Canada at the British headquarters, Halifax, inquiring if any shipbuilding firm in Vancouver were in a position to build and turn out in first-class shape one or two 50-foot steel launches which the British government desires to build for the Esquimalt garrison. It is desired to have them built in Canada, but the officer writes that he is informed no steel shipbuilding plant exists north of San Francisco on the Pacific coast. His Worship turned the matter over to Messrs. Armstrong & Morrison, and will so advised Lieut.-Col. Atkinson.

It struck the Colonist as somewhat peculiar that it should not be known in Halifax that ample facilities exist in Victoria for the building of just such boats as is mentioned in the foregoing. The Albion Iron Works Company have constructed steel craft of large dimensions with every success, and are prepared to execute similar orders at once. But this fact was apparently not known to Lieut.-Col. Atkinson, of Halifax, else he would not have addressed his communication to the Mayor of Vancouver, nor have expressed the opinion that no facilities for executing the work required existed north of San Francisco. The matter being considered one in which the city is vitally interested, a Colonist reporter was sent to interview officials connected with the Albion Iron Works Company, to ascertain if that concern was prepared to do the class of work mentioned. Mr. John Bryden, who was spoken to on the subject, assured the reporter that the company was ready to undertake the construction of the launches, and expressed surprise that that fact should not be widely known. Already the Albion Iron Works Company have successfully constructed similar craft to that mentioned in the officer's letter, and is in perfect shape to execute all work of the kind at the shortest notice.

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NICARAGUA CANAL ROUTE

United States Advised to Build Without Reference to Other Powers.

Washington, May 16.—The senate committee on inter-oceanic canals to-day, through its chairman, Senator Morgan, presented its written report upon the Nicaragua canal bill, holding that the pending bill should not be laid back for the Walker commission report. The committee takes a strong position against the proposition to build the canal via Panama, and to pay for the work already done by the French. The declaration is made that the Panama company is practically without assets, except those included in the Panama railroad. "They say," says the report, "they have assets which to a commission of experts has valued at \$90,000,000. The lowest sum at which they estimate the cost of completing their canal is \$95,000,000, so that in entering the combine we would go in on the basis of \$185,000,000 for the completed canal on the plan of three levels, if that plan is adopted, against \$138,000,000, which is the highest estimate an engineer has placed on the Nicaragua canal. The difference of \$47,000,000 is in favor of Nicaragua."

On the general question of the construction of a canal, the committee takes the view that whatever canal is constructed its ownership must be American, and that delay may be fatal to the success of the enterprise. It is argued by the committee that delay in construction cannot possibly advance the settlement of any question as to the canal after its completion. The committee therefore announces their conclusion to be that congress should provide means and authority for constructing a canal, by the Nicaragua route, and leave it to the President to deal with any questions of a diplomatic nature that may be raised by other nations in the progress of the work. After the bill becomes law it is declared to be the first duty of the United States to agree with Nicaragua as to terms, leaving to the future all dealings with other powers as to privileges they shall enjoy in the canal.

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THE WAR.

Boiler's advance is steady, and in the course of a day or two he will doubtless report Natal clear of the enemy. It appears that his movements have been directed in a general way by Lord Roberts, and we may therefore assume it to have been a part of the general plan for him to remain inactive for so long a time after the relief of Ladysmith. The operations of the war are demonstrating the enormous importance of strategy. Modern arms have made it imperative to force the enemy from his positions by the movements of troops rather than by actual fighting.

The statement is made that the Boers have been advised to give up if they are defeated at the Vaal. This must be received with caution. What is likely is that after Roberts forces the Vaal the enemy's force will rapidly disintegrate, and no effective resistance can be offered.

Just now all interest centres at Mafeking. Recent telegrams call for a good deal of explanation. Those announcing the capture of the town can be disposed of as absolute falsehoods, but the repulse of the enemy with heavy loss, and, as alleged in one despatch, the capture of a large number of them is hard to account for in the entrenched condition of Baden-Powell's force. There was a despatch day before yesterday announcing the arrival of a large number of refugees from Mafeking at Plumers' camp. This is strange news to receive about a town supposed to be closely invested.

Ladybrand and all the great grain-growing district are passing rapidly under our control. This is likely to have a material effect upon the ability of the enemy to hold out, even if they are so inclined.

SEEKING SYMPATHY.

Boer delegates are in the United States and are about to make a tour of the country to evoke popular sympathy in their behalf. Doubtless they will meet with considerable of it. Meanwhile Lord Roberts will continue on his tour of the Free State and carry out his plan of smashing Boerdom into its original constituents. Will the United States undertake to interfere? We do not so imagine for a single moment. What the government of that country might have done upon the eve of a presidential election before the war with Spain is one thing, but what it will do now is quite another. The government of the United States realizes that at present it has its hands full and stands a very good chance of having something more to take care of. The moment it accepted a transfer of the Philippines, the American Republic gave a hostage to the world for its seemingly conduct in world politics. Irresponsible platform orators may descend upon the duty of one republic to come to the rescue of another, but those same orators, if the responsibility of statecraft were cast upon them, would be the first to count the cost of interference. The Democrats will clamor pretty loudly that something ought to be done in order to embarrass the administration, but those in authority will not yield, if for no other reason than because they know the clamorers would not if their relative positions were altered.

It will be interesting to note the conduct of Mr. McKinley towards these Boer delegates. All the Republican conventions have rejected pro-Boer resolutions. When a representative of Spain sought to make his headquarters in Canada, the United States complained, and he was promptly notified to leave. Yet he had not attempted to work up a hostile sentiment against the United States. The government of Canada felt that it was not proper to permit the representative of a nation at war with another,

with which we were on the most friendly terms, to use this country as a base of operations of any kind. If the British government calls the attention of the United States to the agitation being carried on by these Boer delegates, will the President notify them to leave? We think he may, although there is a strong probability that the Imperial authorities will pay no attention to them.

MR. TURNER'S POSITION.

A correspondent writing to the Colonist yesterday seemed to be under the impression that some declaration is called for from Mr. Turner as to his political intentions in the future. We do not think so. Mr. Turner has already very definitely stated his position. He is before the voters of Victoria, not as a party leader, but as a gentleman who has represented this constituency well for a number of years and has been grievously and unjustly neglected upon those who ought to have known and did know better. That he refers to his career as First Minister in the course of his speeches is entirely proper. Mr. Turner's premiership is a part of the political history of British Columbia, and the issues of the day cannot be intelligently discussed without reference to it. There is nothing in his record as premier which he can have any wish to have concealed. There is desire in it which his political friends can desire to have hidden from public observation. The Colonist defended Mr. Turner's policy when he was in power and is prepared to defend it now whenever the good faith or the wisdom of that policy is assailed. It does not say that his policy could not be improved upon in the light of experience; but it is prepared to maintain anywhere and at any time that the policy of the Turner government was fully abreast of the times and immeasurably superior to anything that has been inaugurated since.

But although we say this, we do not wish anyone to suppose that Mr. Turner is before the people seeking restoration to his position as premier or that the Colonist is supporting him with the expectation that he will be called upon to replace Mr. Martin. Whether Mr. Turner shall lead a new administration, or shall hold a subordinate position in such an administration, or shall simply remain a member of the ranks of a party supporting a new government, are things about which neither he nor the Colonist are troubling themselves at the present time. We are not laboring to get any man into office, but to get Mr. Martin out. After this has been accomplished, we are satisfied that Mr. Turner, like the Colonist, will devote his energies and give his active co-operation towards the formation of the best possible government, no matter whether he has a place in it or not.

THE SOLE ISSUE.

There is certainly now only one issue before the people of Victoria in the present election. All others have been brushed aside. Differences of opinion have existed between the candidates and between their friends on some points, but these have all been adjusted, and perfect harmony exists upon the single question of the hour, namely, the restoration of Responsible Government by the overthrow of Martinism. This being the case, all previous differences and causes of misunderstanding ought to be treated as though they never existed, and the friends of better government, the men who are determined to sustain the institutions of our country unimpaired by usurpation, ought to stand shoulder to shoulder against the common enemy.

We pointed out yesterday how no Liberal could consistently support Martinism. It is not necessary to argue that no consistent Conservative can do so, for Mr. Martin's platform and his ministerial practices are revolutionary. There is a conservatism in provincial politics, which is something quite apart from Conservatism as applied to federal politics. Conservatism in provincial politics means the conservation of our institutions. This definition will not apply to the federal field, for no danger threatens our constitutional institutions in that quarter. If it were not that it would be misunderstood, a good name under which the opponents of Martinism could rally would be the Conservative Provincial Party; because all those who are opposed to Martinism are desirous first of all to see the settled principles of our government maintained intact. The spirit of conservatism is supported as well by Liberals as Conservatives. But though the name may be understood, the principle involved cannot be, and we feel that no Conservative in federal politics, who desires to remain true to the traditions of his party, can do anything but vehemently oppose the attempt of Mr. Martin to undermine our institutions and substitute for them a mixture of despotism and demagoguery.

The first thing to be done is to restore Responsible Government. This can only be accomplished by the overthrow of the men who have profited by the violation of it, and who by every principle of our constitution must be regarded as responsible for its violation. Mr. Martin is unequivocally responsible. This is certainly demonstrable. As we pointed out yesterday, he has stood at the elbow of the Lieutenant-Governor while the repeated violations of this primary element in our institutions occurred. But if Mr. Martin is responsible, none the less so is Mr. Yates, who by accepting office under him, has assumed wholly and absolutely the responsibility for everything that Mr. Martin has advised. So also are Messrs. Brown and Beckwith. These

gentlemen by accepting nomination as supporters of Mr. Martin have accepted the full responsibility for Mr. Martin's acts. To vote for one of them is as much an endorsement of Mr. Martin's policy in all things as is a vote for Mr. Martin himself. The Times thinks that Helmcken, Hall, Yates and Brown would make an excellent ticket. So it would in point of respectability and personal worth. But such a vote is, so far as political principle is concerned, nothing more nor less than a spoiled ballot. One half the ticket completely offsets the other half. For, supposing that these four gentlemen should be elected, two of them would vote to restore Responsible Government, and two of them would vote for the perpetuation of Martinism, in which case Victoria would to all intents and purposes stand absolutely dumb on the great issue of the day. When great issues are presented, personal considerations should be laid aside. Hence every friend of Responsible Government ought to vote the straight opposition ticket.

THE POSITION OF THE TIMES.

We quote the following from the Times of this city and commend it to the consideration of electors throughout the province:

Is there a Liberal who can overlook the fact that for several months we have been living under personal rather than responsible government, and that it may be we do not know how long before we shall return to the regular constitutional forms? When the Lieutenant-Governor took upon himself the responsibility of calling upon a man to form a ministry who had not to all appearances a single follower in the house, to which it is usual to look for premier who has either a majority there or good prospects of securing one, in making such a selection in order that the rights of the people should be safeguarded he should have insisted on an immediate election so that the departments might be administered for the shortest possible time by ministers who had not received the endorsement of the people. Is there a man who calls himself a Liberal who can take the platform and defend the Hyder deal? The fact is there has not been a single transaction since the day of the dismissal of the Seiden government in the history of the administration of British Columbia that can be defended from a Liberal point of view.

The questions which our contemporary propounds must be answered in the negative. We go further back than it does in our claim that the principles of Responsible Government have been violated, but we have no desire to get into an argument with the Times over this. We fought that question long ago. But while heartily commending the opinion above expressed by our contemporary, we fail to see how it can logically ask its readers to vote for Messrs. Yates and Brown, as it did on Tuesday. We can understand how the feelings of the Times towards these gentlemen, personally, might lead it to wish to see them elected. Others who will cast their ballots against them feel the same way, but they also feel that public duty must prevail over personal friendship and that, while under other circumstances they would be very glad to see Messrs. Yates and Brown in the legislature, they cannot support them for the simple but very sufficient reason that to do so will be to vote for the very things which the Times so forcibly condemns.

Mayor Hayward has acted very promptly in notifying the Imperial authorities at Halifax that we can build steel lanchons in Victoria.

It will be a great celebration. The prospect is that every previous celebration in this city will be eclipsed by that of next week. Send word to your friends out of the city.

BAND MUSIC.

To the Editor of the Colonist:

Sir: It seems to me that the report of the majority of the park committee in reference to the supply of music for the coming summer must have been brought about through the influence of thoroughly understanding the position of the Fifth Regiment band. The committee appears to assume that the concerts should be divided between the two bands, and because Mr. Finn cannot accept half, therefore the City band and the regimental band shall receive the whole grant to play all the concerts. Is not this a wrong basis upon which to begin the argument? Should it not first be established that the bands have equal claims upon the public before it is assumed that they should have equal rights? The City band appears to me to have absolutely no claim whatever. They were organized as an opposition band to the regimental band, and while no person can object to any number of persons forming a band, it seems to me that the band before it asks for public support should show its ability to play satisfactory music. The regimental band is in no sense a public institution, and no public institution like the city should, I think, give their patronage to a purely private band. For six or seven years the regimental band has been the only band in the city that could really be called a band, and during all that time the only support which it received from the city was a grant which was given to them one year for a series of concerts at the park, and no-withstanding this it is well known that the band has on many occasions of public rejoicing turned out voluntarily, and has frequently given its services gratuitously to many charitable organizations. To go back no further than this year, the band played for the public meeting in the theatre on the occasion of the Strathcona resolution, for the celebration on the surrender of Cronje, also to celebrate the relief of Ladysmith, twice for patriotic concerts in the drill hall, in aid of the Mansion House Fund, once at a concert for the relief of the sufferers from the Ottawa fire, and once for a concert for the relief of the San-don sufferers; and they are, I see by the press, to give their services voluntarily for the Canadian Patriotic Fund concert to be given in the theatre on the 23rd instant, and during the whole period of seven years I do not think any person can say that the band have ever hesitated to give their services for any public purpose whatever. Should all these acts be forgotten and their services



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he unrecognized? It must not be forgotten in answering this question that the Victoria City band has, according to statements in existence and the public press, been in thorough and able to play in public during the whole period covered by the performance before mentioned, and yet we have never known them to proffer their services. The Fifth Regiment band is an institution which has helped to make the good name of Victoria, and it seems to me that it would be a burning shame if the city fathers should now forget all this and give their patronage to a rival institution and an institution organized, as I have been informed, for the very purpose of injuring the regimental band. I cannot believe that such will be the result, and I also feel that those members of the council who voted along these lines could not have really considered the situation carefully, and must have come to the conclusion that they did merely on the general ground that there were two bands and that the patronage should be divided. Aside from this question, there is another subject which interests the citizens of Victoria very much, and that is the desire to have first-class music. Now, while we cannot positively supply such music, the new band cannot supply such music, still it is hard to believe that they have reached the same state of proficiency after ten months' existence that the Fifth Regiment band has after years of practice. It is well known that during the last month of this year the regimental band was in danger of being disorganized through lack of support. The matter was made public, and the desire of the citizens to see that band continued was clearly manifest by the very generous manner in which they turned out to attend the Saturday night concerts. If the regimental band, with all these advantages and the assistance it gets from the officers of the regiment and the regiment at large, is unable to do more than maintain its existence, how is it possible to expect that the new organization will do better with their much greater expense and their limited support? Mr. Finn, the capable leader of the regimental band, was a true leader and conductor of the last City band, and although he brought the same energy and ability to its management as he now gives to the regimental band, it was found impossible to make it a success and it was disorganized. Surely this shows that the regimental band should be maintained at all hazards, and if any private band is organized it should be supported by the own friends and the patronage and engagements it can secure without taking the share of the official patronage, so to speak. I have no feeling whatever against a new band, yet I feel that the regimental band should be the band that the public institutions should recognize as the band of the city, and do everything in its power to maintain it.

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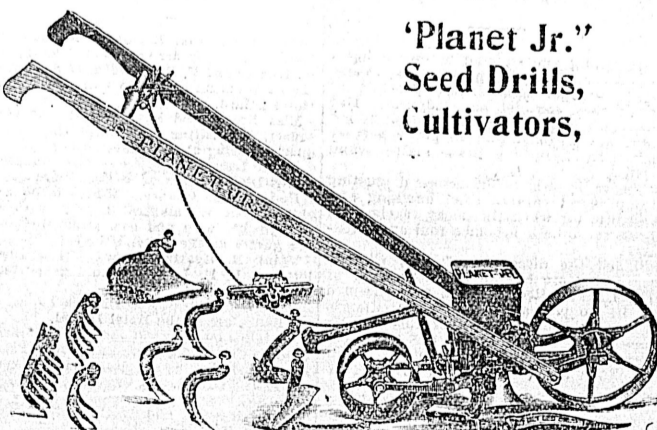
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By F. Napier Denison.

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Thursday, May 17.		Friday, May 18.	
Time.	Height above zero	Time.	Height above zero
2:40 a.m.	8.61 ft.	0:10 a.m.	8.0 feet
10:40 a.m.	1.1 feet	3:20 a.m.	8.7 feet
6:50 p.m.	8.8 feet	11:10 p.m.	1.4 feet
		7:10 p.m.	8.8 feet

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Two Holidays.—The minister of education has granted the school children a holiday on the 25th as well as the 24th of May, so that they will be free to enjoy the celebration.

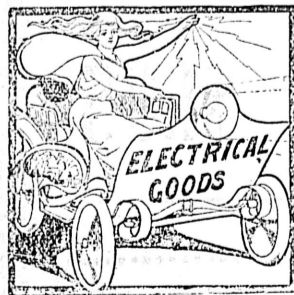
Judgment Reserved.—The trial of Richards v. Baumgart, an action for \$450 on commission on the sale of the Tuetonia saloon property, was concluded before Mr. Justice Martin yesterday and judgment reserved.

Fancy Marching.—The members of the fancy marching squad of the Fifth Regiment are requested to be on hand to-night at the drill hall to practice for the benefit concert to be given to Bandmaster Finn on Saturday next.

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Proceedings Staid.—In Lovell v. Brackman, an order was made in Supreme Court chambers yesterday, staying proceedings until the defendant's appeal from the order refusing to dismiss the action for want of prosecution, has been disposed of.

The Police Court.—In the police court yesterday, Valentine Earle, who is charged with robbing a man of \$50, was again remanded until this morning. Two drunks paid the usual fine, as also a bicyclist who broke the streets by-law.

Sad News.—Mrs. Clinton, wife of G. W. Clinton, United States consul at Cumberland, died at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on Saturday. She left for the East about two weeks ago. She leaves, besides her husband, two children to mourn their loss. Mr. Clinton, who is recovering from his wife's illness, started for the East, but had only gone as far as Vancouver when he received a telegram conveying the sad news.

Six Months' Imprisonment.—According to the Toronto papers justice has been tempered with mercy in the case of James Crull alias Goddard, the absconding Hamilton auctioneer, who was taken East under arrest from this city. Having confessed himself guilty of theft, three counts he was on each sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the provincial jail, the sentences, however, to run concurrently.

Elected Officers.—On Tuesday evening the Halcyon Club elected their officers for the coming quarter. Fred Morse was elected president and S. Porter was elected to the position of secretary-treasurer. After the election of officers the club held their quarterly banquet, at which numerous toasts and speeches were given by all present.

Landmark Destroyed.—The old Craigflower bakery, erected in the early sixties by Mr. McKenzie, who had the contract to supply the navy with bread and biscuits, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. All that is left of the old institution are the masonry ovens. The building had not been used for some twenty years, last being occupied for an oatmeal mill, conducted by Mr. Dan Adams.

Funeral Services.—The remains of the late Mrs. Alex. Robertson were laid at rest yesterday afternoon at Ross Bay cemetery, the funeral taking place from the family residence, Cook street, where Rev. Dr. Campbell, assisted by Dr. Reid and Revs. Payne and Fraser, conducted the services. The pallbearers were: Messrs. H. McChernan, N. Cunningham, H. J. O'Leary, S. A. Bantley, S. Holland and J. R. Collett. The deceased left a large family.

Laid at Rest.—The funeral of the late Mrs. G. Fagan, of Wellington, who died a few days ago at St. Joseph's hospital, took place yesterday afternoon at 1:45 from the parlors of the British Columbia Funeral Furnishing Company and at 2 at St. Andrew's (R.C.) cathedral. The Rev. Father Nicolay conducted the services, and the pallbearers were: Messrs. H. McChernan, N. Cunningham, H. J. O'Leary, S. A. Bantley, S. Holland and J. R. Collett. The deceased left a large family.

Changing the Wires.—For three or four days past the telephone system has been somewhat disarranged, as subscribers may have noticed, while almost every one of the company's giant poles has blossomed with a man at the top, shouting instructions to his next companion in mid-air. The explanation is that the system is being changed from the ground return to metallic circuit, with which in operation much better satisfaction to users of the instruments will be assured.

Finn Benefit.—There should be a large attendance at the benefit concert to be tendered Bandmaster Finn at the drill hall next Saturday evening. The programme will be an exceptionally fine one, leading amateurs supplementing the band numbers, and there being special attractions in the way of fancy drills. The concert will be a fitting opportunity to all friends of the band to show their appreciation of the untiring energy displayed by Mr. Finn in working the band up to its present high status.

The Band at Duncan.—Those who recall with pleasure the delightful band concerts of last summer "up the line" will be pleased to know that this year will duplicate their well remembered delights, the first of the series being given by the Fifth Regiment band at Duncan next Sunday. The special treat will leave Victoria at 2 p.m., returning at 6, and the return fare is again placed at the ridiculously low figure of four cents. Bicycles will be carried free and cyclists will thus have opportunity to explore the good roads radiating from Duncan, while fishermen will have time to cast a line in the pretty river at that place. The band's programme includes a large number of new selections.

Will Auction Seats.—The patriotic committee met yesterday at the city hall and put some of the finishing touches to the arrangements for the big entertainment to be held on Wednesday evening next at the theatre. The programme is just about complete, and it is no exaggeration to say that it will eclipse anything ever placed by amateurs on the thing ever placed by amateurs on the stage, and those residents and friends of the city who are fortunate enough to secure seats will experience the treat of their lives. It is expected that when the box office opens a great rush will be made for the best seats, especially as the whole of the proceeds will be given to the Canadian Patriotic Fund. It has been decided to have an auction sale of certain seats and boxes, probably on Monday, prior to the opening of the sale in the ordinary way. For the sake of the fund it is hoped that high prices will be realized.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION

The Ninth Annual Assembly Opens This Morning.

The ninth annual convention of the Epworth League and Sunday School Association opens in the Metropolitan Methodist church to-day. The first session will be held in the schoolroom of the Metropolitan Methodist church this morning, commencing at 9 o'clock, when the executive of the convention will meet, and also the local billing and entertainment committee, the public meeting opening at 10 o'clock, with the president, C. S. Keith, in the chair.

The afternoon session will commence at 1:30, Mr. J. H. Fife, of Vancouver, chairman.

In the evening at 8 o'clock, the Rev. E. Scott, of Vancouver, will deliver his famous lecture on "Christian Citizenship." This will only need to be mentioned to insure a crowded house. The lecture will be given in the auditorium, so that the public may attend and be accommodated with seats, but those who wish to secure good seats should attend early. There will be no admission fee charged, but a collection will be taken up during the evening to defray expenses in connection with the convention.

The afternoon programme will be as follows:
1:30 to 2.—Devotional service to be conducted by the Queen's Avenue church, New Westminster.

2 to 2:45.—Paper on "The Responsibility of Personal Effort in Winning the World for Christ," by Ralph Williamson, Agassiz.

2:45 to 3:30.—Paper on "Christian Citizenship," by F. W. Davey, Centennial church, Victoria.

3:30 to 4:15.—Open parliament on Sunday school work.

4:15 to 5.—Paper on "Systematic Bible Study and How to Interest Our Sunday School Scholars in Same," by T. W. Mowat, Nanaimo.

The officers of the convention are as follows: President, C. S. Keith, New Westminster; 1st vice-president, T. W. Haslam, Nanaimo; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Ashton, Agassiz; 3rd vice-president, F. W. Davey, Victoria; 4th vice-president, Miss G. Robson, New Westminster; secretary, Horace J. Knott, Victoria; treasurer, Miss M. Nicholls, Vancouver.

Saturday is bargain day for second-hand bicycles at Rambler Cycles, Weller Bros.

An Afternoon Wedding.—Fred A. Clyde, for many years a valued employee of the job room of the Colonist, and a popular young Victorian, was yesterday afternoon united in marriage to Miss Annie Pardoe at St. John's church, by Rev. Percival Jenks. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. F. G. Wright, and attended by Miss Clyde and Miss Robinson, both of whom were becomingly attired in ivory silk, trimmed with white muslin. The bride wore a handsome costume of silver gray, trimmed with cream satin. The groom was supported by Carl Pendray. The newly wedded pair, who were the recipients of a profusion of useful gifts from a host of friends, will take up their residence in Victoria.

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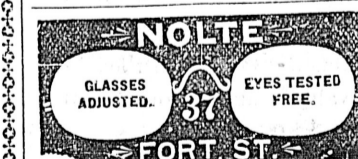
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CELEBRATION REVIEW.

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A rehearsal of the review to be given by the naval and military authorities in connection with the celebration will be held on Saturday at Macaulay Point. In this connection Lt.-Col. Gregory, commanding the Fifth Regiment, yesterday issued the following order:

"The regiment will parade at the drill hall on Saturday, the 19th instant, at 2:15 p.m., for the purpose of taking part in manoeuvres at Macaulay Point, in preparation for the Queen's Birthday celebration. Staff and band will attend. Dress: Drill order. Members of the regiment living at Victoria West will parade at the railway crossing at 2:30 p.m., and may obtain rifles, side arms, etc., at the drill hall for that purpose."

This is really a rehearsal for the Queen's Birthday and one of the features will be the firing of a feu de joie. The notice is short, and a good deal of rivalry exists among the various companies to see which will have the largest turn-out on Saturday.
The Royal Artillery will probably also turn out at the same time.

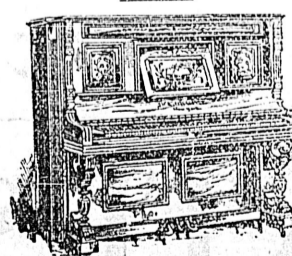
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Mr. Martin's Cold Reception

East Lillooet Regards Him With Curiosity But is Not Cordial.

Mr. Eberts on the Other Hand Makes a Splendid Impression.

From far and near the electorate of East Lillooet crowded into Clinton on Monday evening, on politics intent. Premier Martin's meeting had been widely advertised, and his past career, together with the fact that it was his first visit to the district, made many curious to see and hear "Fighting Joe."

And so they came and saw and listened to his two-hour speech. They gave him a good hearing, but they did not appear to find much pleasure in it, and certainly no freer than on the road could have had a cooler reception, even if he had been guilty of cutting rates.

On the part of the Premier a like chilliness was even more noticeable. The weariness of the month's campaigning—or it may be the many repulses and disappointments of his tour—appeared to have severely taxed the energies of the quondam Premier. There was little "fighting" left, and the "glad hand" of the politician was mechanically forced. When with his chairman, Schoolmaster Slater, he walked up the aisle, people stared the stare of the curious, but there was little of admiration mixed with the tact respect that East Lillooet always pays to the ministers of the crown.

With Mr. Eberts matters went far differently. He was well known, and entering with Messrs. Prentice and Stoddard, was given a rousing cheer of recognition and welcome. Many old friends and admirers pressed forward to a hand-shake, and he climbed up into the cubicle-like platform, whither the Premier had in silence preceded him, amidst renewed outbursts of applause.

Chairman Slater, after a few words of welcome to all, especially to the many ladies who occupied the front of the hall, invited Messrs. Prentice and Stoddard to seats upon the platform. These gentlemen, however, were thoughtful of their own comfort, and so preferred seats in the body of the hall to the overcrowding of the platform.

Premier Martin was then introduced. Slowly and he began the time-worn speech that he had been heard of, if not personally known, before in that district; and that the people had heard much of him that was not perhaps greatly to his advantage. So much indeed was being said against him that they might be disappointed in finding that he had not horns. For all this the bad newspapers were responsible, through their demands that all else should be lost sight of in the effort to save British Columbia from its present Premier.

His government, however, he claimed had some advantages over its opponents. It had a leader and it had a platform, definitely published in black and white. On the other hand, the opposition were leaderless and made up of factions. Mr. Turner had nine or ten candidates on the Island, and one on the Smith and Lillooet—the Mainland. Mr. Cotton's following was but half a dozen. Mr. Wilson had perhaps one or two more, while all the rest appeared as independent units. So much for the opposition.

A Voice—"They'll get it all right. Mr. Martin (with a tired smile)—"In Vancouver they'll lose their deposits. But even if the government loose, the best that can happen is but a patch-up between Messrs. Turner and Wilson. And even this will not prevent another election coming on in the near future, which could only be regarded as most unfortunate.

Continuing, Mr. Martin said that while his platform was largely constructed out of that formerly held by the Semlin party, he was forced to oppose his old colleagues because he had outgrown them. With a longer residence in the province his views had changed.

Again, he had been turned out of the Semlin cabinet, not for the frivolous reasons set forth by its chief minister, but because that cabinet had intended an entire change of policy, to which they well knew he would never become a party. This change was upon the question of Mongolian labor, and was made to suit the C. P. R.

Upon this company Mr. Martin then made a prolonged attack, charging them with displacing white men on their section gangs and replacing them with Japs. He would make yellow labor a provincial issue and fight it out as he had the railway question in Manitoba years ago. If his government was returned the Labor Act would at once be re-enacted and a cabinet minister sent to England to press the rights of the province.

A Voice—"Mr. Ryder?" Mr. Martin then drifted into his proposed railway policy and explained it at great length. It would, he claimed, be easy to borrow \$20,000,000 in England, build public railroads to compete with

the C. P. R. and make such a profit out of them as to more than pay back the loan. Old governments had a debt first and then raised loans, but it was much better to borrow first and then spend the money.

"Intend," continued the speaker, to have on hand at all times all the money that may be necessary to do all the work," required to upon the roads, trails and bridges of the land. These will be made much cheaper by being made all at once, but no longer will the cry of "no money" be heard from the treasury.

Returning to the railway question, Mr. Martin renewed his attack upon the C. P. R., and kept it up upon the Turner government for their policy of granting subsidies for the construction of railroads.

Another reason for his opposing the Semlin party was because of the B. C. Southern land grant. This alone was enough to turn anyone, and he had been glad to aid in putting an end to the miserable existence of the late administration. It was quite a case of prevention of cruelty to animals by terminating their sufferings.

Mr. Martin then sat down amidst a feeble applause, after speaking for an hour and thirty minutes.

The chairman then introduced Mr. Eberts, who was greeted with loud applause. He was glad once more to meet them all and particularly so for the many ladies present. He remembered that the last time he had been there none of them had come, but their presence on this occasion was a guarantee against all sorts of mischief and mischief-making.

He was well pleased too at the careful and considerate hearing that they had all given to the Premier. They had listened patiently to his views, in spite of the undoubted fact that none of them believed in Mr. Martin. (Applause.)

Regarding the Labor Act, as Mr. Martin had said, it was passed during the Turner regime. At that time there was trouble in the East. Russia was making a demonstration in Chinese waters and plucky little Japan had arisen and declared herself the ally of old England. In recognition of this act and because of the Japanese representations that the Labor Act was clearly an unfriendly action, Mr. Chamberlain had been obliged to advise against the measure, and who could the circumstances could say him nay? And so when loyalty comes in we must sink all minor questions and be true to the Old Land. (Cheers.) It was not for the 50 cents a day that our Canadian boys were fighting in the Transvaal. (Prolonged cheers.)

In addition to this was the fact that under the B. N. A. Act (the constitution of Canada) the right to legislate upon aliens devolved not upon the Provincial, but the Dominion government, and so the matter must be left in the hands of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who had, as a matter of fact, promised to fight it.

Upon this same question even Mr. Martin himself was not always consistent. A motion had been introduced in the session of 1899, urging the Dominion government to tax the incoming Chinamen a head, and at that time Mr. Martin, sitting in the assembly as attorney-general, had risen in his place and cried "No, this is not in our power. It is a federal question. I'll vote against it." Consistency is a jewel, but Mr. Martin did not win it. As attorney-general he cried: "I'll vote against it." To-day as Premier seeking your support, he talks the clap-trap you have just listened to. (Applause.) "Is not that so, Mr. Premier?"

Mr. Martin—"Well, no; not as you put it."

Mr. Eberts—"But it is so; I'll read it to you."

From the Colonist of that day Mr. Eberts then read the story of the Deane-Holmes motion, to which Mr. Martin had objected, as he had already said, and against which his name appeared as having voted.

Mr. Eberts then outlined the measures taken in the past regarding this matter from the well known act of Mr. Walker's days to that of the 25th of April last when the Governor-General of Canada had vetoed the provincial statute. The matter was not at all like the case of the Manitoba railways. Mr. Eberts continued. It was solely belonging to the Dominion and British authorities. It was possible to memorialize the British government, in fact a monster petition was at present being prepared at Victoria with that object in view. But for Mr. Martin to talk of "forcing Lord Salisbury" is was sheer clap-trap, clap-trapped now to catch stray votes. (Loud applause.)

About the roads, Mr. Martin had talked of borrowing immense sums and building roads here and there for all. But that was not proper road building. As the province was able to pay the roads were being built, and good work had been done. He (the speaker) was quite sure that on the Cariboo road at least a year's work and a good days pay had been the rule from 1891 to 1898, and he was quite satisfied with the work of both the officials and the men. Still it could not all be done at once. The provincial debt when the Turner government went out was \$5,100,000, or about as much as the debts of the two cities of Vancouver and Victoria. Their province was a good one and they had faith in it. When Mr. Davies opened up the Kootenay the revenue from that district amounted to \$27,000 a year, but the roads were built and soon it swelled to \$304,000. The Nakusp & Slocan railway had not cost the province \$1, through the increased revenue of that district, and the 40 per cent. of the net returns of the railway which the province received. Indeed the \$118,000

of subsidy paid into the provincial treasury by the Dominion government was not yet exhausted. Labor troubles had affected the revenue of the road, but neither Messrs. Davies or Turner were to be held responsible for them.

Again, the Shuswap & Okanagan road had been built and had increased the productiveness of that valley many times. To-day 50,000 barrels of flour were turned out annually from its flour mills from the wheat grown where once wheat could scarcely be sold. The Turner government had indeed been a progressive one.

Turning to the question of the government ownership of railroads, Mr. Eberts thought it would be very nice to have such a line from the Coast built to the Kootenay, but the \$20,000,000 would have to be repaid. And where would the additional revenue come from? The cities and municipalities all had their own taxes to meet, and so a great deal of it would be left for the farmers to make up. They were the class upon whom the extra burden would fall, and their farms would be taxed to meet the bill.

As to getting all the money at 3 per cent. interest, that was utter nonsense. The last loan of \$1,200,000 only brought 96 cents on the dollar, and only 3 per cent. of it was taken up by the English people. The bankers who underwrote the loan had to take 97 per cent. of the amount. To talk of such a \$15,000,000 borrowing is all wild extravagance and utter nonsense. (Laughter.)

It would cost us \$750,000 a year to pay interest and arrange for the sinking fund. Such was the tentative sort of legislation in which the premier of to-day promises to indulge. He thinks and talks in millions as many people do of fifty cent pieces. But it will not go down. It does not go in my part of the country. Mr. Martin has found that it will not go in Kootenay and it will not go here. (Applause.)

Mr. Eberts then reverted for a few minutes to the roads proposed by Mr. Turner before he went out of power. These were very important, the all-Canadian route to the Yukon via Kitimaat, being particularly so. In all they covered nearly 1,000 miles of railway, which the facts and figures showed that but \$4,000,000 of expenditure would be required, while the provincial returns would be greatly increased.

The case of New Zealand was the one generally instanced as an illustration of the government ownership of railroads. But what was there there? New Zealand was the worst taxed colony of the Empire. Its railways went slower than 20 miles an hour, and passengers were charged 6 cents a mile to ride. That colony had spent \$270,000,000 in its railways, paying 3 1/2 per cent. interest on that money, and so far as the roads had never made a profit of more than 3 per cent. per annum. If New Zealand if you want taxation might be turned into "Elect Mr. Martin and bring New Zealand's taxes here."

Besides all this as has been shown in Mr. Wilson's famous article in the Toronto Globe, and as Mr. Turner has a long time held, a province can only rightly go in to the ownership of roads when it has a fleet and trade power of its own.

From what Mr. Martin promises to do, Mr. Eberts then turned to what he had done. For the Allen Bill and the Eight Hour Law he was especially responsible. By the former of these the district of East Lillooet had suffered severely. Mr. Martin was also charged by his old friends with having broken all manner of promises and pledges and even after some of them had been put in writing. These everyone had read in the newspapers. Mr. Martin was now quite ready to take away its representation from the constituency of East Lillooet as appears from his remarks upon the Redistribution Bill of last session.

Having noticed what he promises and what he has done, Mr. Eberts then let us see what he is doing. He has no following but is yet skimming to that end. He is no Ryder Haggart but he is indeed a Haggart Rider. He is trying to persuade you all that he is the heaven-born man sent from the East to bring Good Government to this province. But he is finding out what you all well know, that he is not the man for British Columbia.

Mr. Eberts then sat down amidst prolonged applause from the crowd that for nearly two hours had listened to him with deep and interested attention. Upon the chairman inviting Mr. Prentice or Mr. Stoddard to speak, Mr. Prentice reminded the gathering that it was now late, and that on that account neither he nor his friend would prolong the meeting by speech making.

Mr. Martin then replied to Mr. Eberts for over half an hour. During this time he spoke chiefly about the Coast to Kootenay railroad, and at the end announced that in a few days he would have candidates in the riding in the province, and that Mr. Robert Graham, a ranchman living a mile west of Clinton would stand for East Lillooet in his (Martin's) interest.

After a few questions about the Prentice election case, from the answers to which it appeared that Mr. Martin was partly in favor for its delay, and also that Mr. Prentice had not been at all in line with the Semlin party on many questions, the usual votes of thanks were given and the meeting broke up.

The ladies having retired, many in the crowd wanted to hear a candidate speak, and so an after meeting was held, the feature of which was Mr. Graham's statement that he hoped to help Mr. Martin to show this province "how we do things in Manitoba."

TEST THE URINE.

If you have backache and there are brick dust deposits found in the urine after it stands 24 hours you can be sure the kidneys are diseased. Do not wait until it is too late to cure and prevent Bright's disease, suffer from and death. Use Dr. A. W. Chase's Urinary Pills, the world's kidney cure.

UNIONIST ALLIANCE.

Mr. Chamberlain Claims That It Has Saved the Integrity of the Empire.

London, May 16.—The Liberal Union Club gave a banquet this evening at the Hotel Cecil, to Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader in the House of Commons. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, presided. There were 500 present, including the Duke of Devonshire, lord president of the council of ministers; the Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for war; and many other members of the government and both sides of parliament. Mr. Chamberlain, when proposing the health of Mr. Balfour, eulogized his eminent services to the country, and declared that the integrity of the Empire had been saved by the Unionist alliance. Mr. Balfour, upon arising to respond, was received with prolonged cheers, said the remarks of Mr. Chamberlain had carried his mind back over the fourteen eventful years since the Unionist alliance began. There were few, he continued, who could recall that period with more heartfelt gratitude than himself that fate had given him such colleagues to work with. The Duke of Devonshire also spoke of the value of the alliance.

Steamer Queen City got away for the Northern river ports early yesterday morning, with a full cargo of canary requisites.

Nervous Debility

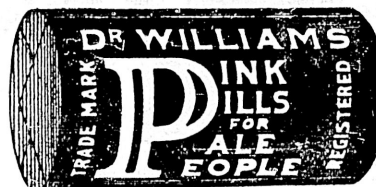
may be caused by over-work, worry, mental strain, or excesses of almost any nature. Very frequently it is one of the distressing after effects of la grippe. But whatever the cause a debilitated, nervous system means that the nerves lack nutrition. Feed the tired and jaded nerves and life will renew its joys for you.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People

is the best nerve food and most valuable tonic known to science. Merit, and merit alone, has given these pills a larger sale than any other medicine in the world. Through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills hundreds of thousands of tired, and jaded, despondent men and women have been made bright, active, work-loving people. But you must get the genuine—imitations are always a source of disappointment, and a waste of money.

WEAK AND NERVOUS.

Mr. Austin Fancy is a well known blacksmith living at Baker Settlement, a hamlet about ten miles from Bridgewater, N. S. Mr. Fancy is well known in the locality in which he lives. He is another of the legion whose restoration to health adds to the popularity of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Fancy related his story of illness and renewed health to a reporter of the Enterprise as follows:—"During the last winter, owing I suppose to overwork and impure blood, I became very much reduced in flesh, and had severe pains in the muscles all over my body. I felt tired and nervous all the time, had no appetite and often felt so low spirited that I wished myself in another world. Some of the time, necessity compelled me to undertake a little work in my blacksmith shop, but I was not fit for it, and after doing the job, would have to lie down; indeed I often felt like fainting. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after using a couple of boxes, I felt a decided relief. The pains began to abate, and I felt again as though life was not all dreaminess. By the time I had used six boxes I was as well as ever, and able to do a hard day's work at the forge without fatigue, and those who know anything about a blacksmith's work will know what this means. Those who are not well will make no mistake in looking for health through the medium of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.



Pink colored pills in glass jars, or in any loose form, or in boxes that do not bear the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, are not Dr. Williams'.

The genuine are put up in packages resembling the engraving on the left, with wrapper printed in red.

Sold by all dealers in medicine or direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Final Draft of Stations Adopted—Ministers Stationed in Victoria.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, May 16.—In the final draft of stations adopted by the Methodist conference, Victoria district is provided for as follows:

Victoria Metropolitan—Elliott S. Rowe.

Victoria Centennial—William H. Barracough, and Cornelius Bryant, superannuated.

Victoria West—John D. P. Knox. James Bay—Robert Hughes.

Victoria Japanese Mission—Under Supervision Metropolitan.

Saanich—Joseph W. Winslow. Cowichan—George H. Osborne and A. Seymour.

Mount Sieker and Lumber Camps—Charles W. Nelson.

Salt Spring Island—R. J. Irwin. Nanaimo, Wallace Street, W. Waller Bay.

Nanaimo, Halibut, on Street—James Calvert.

Nanaimo Japanese Mission—To be supplied under superintendent Wallace Street.

Wellington—James Hicks. Cumberland Japanese Mission—Under Superintendent Cumberland.

John P. Hicks, chaplain to the Wesleyans of H. M. forces at Esquimalt, by permission of conference.

Following the reading of the final draft of stations at last night, balloting took place for the election of chairmen and secretaries of the various districts, which resulted in the following ministers being selected for Victoria district: W. H. Barracough, chairman; J. P. Hicks, secretary.

The special committee of the conference consists of the above chairman and Revs. E. B. Scott, A. N. Miller, J. P. Betts, C. H. M. Sutherland and J. P. Bowell.

GERMAN BUDGET.

Providing Means to Increase the Navy.

Berlin, May 16.—The budget committee of the reichstag concluded the debate of the navy bill to-day, after deciding that the measure should come in force simultaneously with the amendments to the stamp law, and the extension of the tariff on iron and steel.

The committee also resolved that should the naval estimates exceed the 54,000,000 marks thus provided, the excess must not be covered by indirect taxation.

A POSSIBLE PICK-UP.

Schooner Cecil, of Seattle, Reported in Distress in the Neighborhood of Clo-oose.

The little schooner Cecil, of Seattle, it is not unlikely will make her appearance at this port as a tow when the West Coast liner Willapa returns from her regular trip this week. Advice from Carmanah stating that the schooner—a fishing craft—is now somewhere in the vicinity of Clo-oose, with but one man aboard her. The news is given by the two others of the little schooner's crew, who left her for shore on Tuesday in the small boat, but were unable to get back. They had a hard fight with the gale in essaying to do so, and were quite exhausted when eventually tossed back on the shore. The Cecil, it is presumed, is one of the American halibut fishing fleet.

GIVEN CHRISTIAN BURIAL.

A Second of the Victims of the Dora B. Recovered by the Ocean Belle.

A second chapter in the tragic story woven about the loss in the mid-April gales of the little Seattle schooner Dora B. is brought by the sealer Ocean Belle, which dropped her anchor in the home harbor yesterday. She had been in the same storm in which the Dora B. met her fate, and in much the same way. After the battle with wind and sea was over, the sealer found herself practically undamaged but missing her bowsprit, to replace which she shaped a course for Yakutat. While running thither she was successful in picking up and conveying to port for burial the body of P. V. Buerden, of Juneau, who was among the lost from the Dora B. and who, it appeared from the evidence of bedding, clothing, provisions, etc., floating with the corpse, had attempted to leave the doomed schooner with one of the boats when death overcame him. The Ocean Belle, as previously reported from Carmanah, had 735 seals to show for her work among the seals, while the Saucy Lass, another of yesterday's arrivals, reports 44. Both have the same now-common story of immense seal herds but impossible hunting weather.

NORTHERN CRAFT BUSY.

The Opening of the Yukon Produces a Revival of Intermediate Traffic.

Now that navigation on the Yukon has opened and through bills of lading for

Dawson are obtainable, there is a quick concentration of trailable steam craft on the Skagway route—with plenty of business for all. The Amur, of the C. P. N. fleet, got away for the busy entry port of the Klondike last night, and the Tees will sail to-day, the former going direct after calls at Vancouver and Nanaimo, and the latter calling en route at several of the Northern British Columbia canneries, for which she has tin plate and other supplies. The passengers by the Amur included those named in the Colonist several days ago, and also Rev. J. C. Speer, on a holiday jaunt prior to his departure for the East; Thomas Shaw, Mrs. R. Shaw, Mrs. Clarence N. Cox, C. W. Sandison, the Dawson trader; Master Sandison; J. D. Davidson, G. Gerow, G. Wilson, H. P. Bridges, and thirty or forty others, besides those awaiting the ship at Vancouver and Nanaimo, who will quite take up her accommodation for travellers. Mrs. C. N. Cox is going through to Hootalinqua, whether her husband has preceded her, his this year command being the steamer Sybil, now a C. D. Co. boat, plying thence to White Horse.

NOTES OF THE WATERFRONT.

Fined For Illegal Landing of Passengers—The Garonne Completes Her Overhaul.

Steamer J. L. Card has been fined \$100 by Collector Milne for carrying six Japanese passengers from Steveston to Active Pass, she being licensed only as a freighter.

The department of marine is by advertisement inviting tenders for the erection of a wooden lighthouse tower on one of the Ballinae islands, in the Gulf of Georgia. The time for receiving tenders expires on the 1st proximo. Steamship Garonne left Esquimalt dry dock yesterday morning, and so soon as

she has loaded 1,000 tons of coal will return to the Sound and prepare for her trip to Nome.

The Hero and the Alpha—which will first return?

C. P. R. steamship Athenian is to make one and perhaps more voyages to St. Michael during June, and is now loading lumber at Inacoma for that objective point.

The White Star liner Teutonic arrived at New York at 2 p. m. yesterday.

Steam collier Wellington, laden for San Francisco, passed out to sea yesterday, and the Warfield went up for cargo.

GIFTS APPRECIATED.

Soldier Writes of the Comforts Sent to South Africa by Victoria Ladies.

A letter dated Bloemfontein, March 28, has been received by Mrs. J. R. Anderson from Cecil M. Roberts, of the Canadian contingent, in which he mentions the hard march they had to Paardeberg and Bloemfontein, on half rations and a great deal of discomforts from rain and other causes, and that consequently there was a great deal of sickness in the regiment, from enteric fever, etc. He also says: "We only had our overcoats and one blanket between two men and were sleeping out in the open, and you can imagine what it is like when it rains, and it can rain out here. * * * Bloemfontein is a very pretty little town, with nice gardens, and everyone seems to take things very easily. * * * All the Dutch have cleared out, and everything in the way of provisions is very dear. * * * It is very good of the ladies of Victoria to take so much time and trouble to work all those nice things for us, and please tell them, Mrs. Anderson, how very much we appreciate their kind thoughtfulness."

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